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Delta Science Program Releases “Vision Document”

Finding Ways to Make Environmental Data Relevant and Accessible

Streamlining access to the collaboration of huge amounts of environmental data between various State and federal agencies, academic institutions, and other publicly funded entities is the goal of *Enhancing the Vision for Managing California’s Environmental Information*, a white paper synopsis of the lessons learned at the [Environmental Data Summit](#) held in June 2014.

The event was organized by the [Delta Stewardship Council’s Delta Science Program](#) and six State agency partners to study the [National Research Council’s](#) conclusion that a more collaborative approach at integrating data from multiple sources was necessary to fully understand the environmental challenges facing California’s Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

More than 300 scientists, resource managers, decision makers, and stakeholders attended the two-day Summit, which included discussions and workshops on how to expand and refine the management and sharing of environmental data currently housed in different public agencies, universities, and private industry, among others. Seven California State agencies now endorse this white paper that includes a host of recommendations and a roadmap toward implementation.

WHAT: **Media Press Conference Call:** Formal release of:
Enhancing the Vision for Managing California’s Environmental Information
([To view the Executive Summary, please click here](#))

WHEN: Friday, October, 2, 2015 – 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. PDT

WHERE: [Delta Stewardship Council](#), Sacramento, CA

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“Coequal goals” means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place.”

– CA Water Code §85054